

RESTORATION RESOURCE GUIDE

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Introduction

If you own or manage a historic property, the publications listed below can help you plan a restoration or repair project or develop a maintenance schedule. This paper also provides a few suggestions of resources which can help you identify a contractor, craftsman, or architect to assist you with your project.

Publications

The publications listed below contain general information about common issues facing the owners and stewards of historic properties. Most of the books listed below are available through the King County Library System.

Caring for Your Old House: a guide for owners and residents. Judith L. Kitchen. Washington D.C.: The Preservation Press, 1991.

Respectful Rehabilitation: Answers to Your Questions About Old Buildings. National Park Service. Wash. D.C., Preservation Press, 1982.

The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation & Illustrated Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings. Washington D.C: U.S. Department of the Interior National Park Service Cultural Resources Preservation Assistance Division, 1992.

Masonry: How to Care for Old and Historic Brick and Stone. Mark London. Wash., D.C.: Preservation Press, 1988.

Walls and Molding: How to Care for Old and Historic Wood and Plaster. Natalie Shivers, Washington D.C.: Preservation Press, 1989.

Lighting for Historic Buildings. Roger W. Moss. Washington, D.C.: Preservation Press, 1988.

The Well-Appointed Bath: Authentic Plans and Fixtures from the Early 1900s. Gail Caskey Winkler. Washington D.C.: Preservation Press, 1989.

Old House Journal. This bi-monthly magazine features information on maintenance and repairs for historic homes. The November/December issues contains an annual index.

Victorian Exterior Decoration: How to paint your nineteenth century American house. Roger W. Moss and Gail Caseky Winkler.

A Century of Color: Exterior Decoration for American Buildings 1820-1920. Roger Moss. Watkins Glen, New York: American Life Foundation, 1981.

Preservation Briefs

Issued by the National Park Service's Preservation Assistance program, these pamphlets are available through the King County Historic Preservation Program.

- No. 1 The Cleaning and Waterproof Coating of Masonry Buildings
- No. 2 Repointing Mortar Joints in Historic Brick Buildings
- No. 3 Conserving Energy in Historic Buildings
- No. 4 Roofing for Historic Buildings
- No. 5 Preservation of Historic Adobe Buildings
- No. 6 Dangers of Abrasive Cleaning to Historic Buildings
- No. 8 Aluminum and Vinyl Siding on Historic Buildings
- No. 9 The Repair of Historic Wooden Windows
- No. 10 Exterior Paint Problems on Historic Woodwork
- No. 13 The Repair and Thermal Upgrading of Historic Steel Windows
- No. 14 New Exterior Additions to Historic Buildings: Preservation Concerns
- No. 15 Preservation of Historic Concrete: Problems and General Approaches
- No. 16 The Use of Substitute Materials on Historic Building Exteriors
- No. 17 Architectural Character: Identifying the Visual Aspects of Historic Building as an Aid to Preserving Their Character
- No. 18 Rehabilitating Interiors in Historic Buildings: Identifying and Preserving Character Defining Elements.
- No. 19 The Repair and Replacement of Historic Wooden Shingle Roofs
- No. 20 The Preservation of Historic Barns
- No. 21 Repairing Historic Flat Plaster -- Walls and Ceilings
- No. 22 The Preservation and Repair of Historic Stucco
- No. 23 Preserving Historic Ornamental Plaster
- No. 24 Heating, Ventilating, and Cooling Historic Buildings: Problems and Recommended Approaches
- No. 25 The Preservation of Historic Signs
- No. 26 The Preservation and Repair of Historic Log Buildings
- No. 27 The Maintenance and Repair of Architectural Cast Iron
- No. 28 Painting Historic Interiors
- No. 29 The Repair, Replacement, and Maintenance of Historic Slate Roofs
- No. 30 The Preservation and Repair of Historic Clay Tile Roofs
- No. 31 Mothballing Historic Buildings
- No. 32 Making Historic Properties Accessible.
- No. 33 The Preservation and Repair of Historic Stained and Leaded Glass
- No. 34 Applied Decoration for Historic Interiors: Preserving Composition Ornament
- No. 35 Understanding Old Building: The Process of Architectural Investigation
- No. 36 Protecting Cultural Landscapes

No. 37 Appropriate Methods for Reducing Lead-Paint Hazards in Historic Housing

Finding Craftspeople, Contractors, and Architects

Several resources are available to help you select a qualified restoration professional. While none of the agencies mentioned below can recommend specific people, they can direct you to people or firms which have experience working with historic properties. When selecting a design or construction professional to work on your property, you may want to inquire about the person or firm's experience with restoration and/or rehabilitation of properties which are designated landmarks or are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Historic Seattle (605 First Avenue) maintains a file of information on craftspeople, contractors, and architects with expertise in restoration. To make an appointment to look at their file, call (206) 622-6952.

State of Washington Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation maintains a list of Architects and Contractors with expertise in the field of Historic Preservation. Contact Steve Mathison at (360) 753-7436 to obtain a current copy of the list.

The American Institute of Architects operates a resources center at 1911 First Avenue, Seattle. They keep portfolios highlighting the work of local architects coded by area of expertise, including historic preservation. Call (206) 448-4938 for more information.

<p>This information is available upon request in alternative formats for persons with disabilities at (206) 296-7580 TTY.</p>
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